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ISRAELI NUCLEAR ARMAMENT

Egypt, Indonesia, Jordan, Saudi Arabia and Yemen: draft resolution

The threat of nuclear armament in the Middle East

The General Assembly,

Bearing in mind the relevant United Nations resolutions, the most recent of which is General Assembly resolution 48/78 of 16 December 1993,

Taking note of the relevant resolutions adopted by the General Conference of the International Atomic Energy Agency, the latest of which is GC(XXXVIII)/RES/21 of September 1994 and noting the danger of nuclear proliferation, especially in areas of tension,

Cognizant that the proliferation of nuclear weapons in the region of the Middle East poses a serious threat to international peace and security,

Aware of the importance that all nuclear facilities in the region be placed under the full scope safeguards of the International Atomic Energy Agency,

Also aware of the recent positive development in the Middle East peace process, which would be further strengthened by means of the States of the region undertaking practical measures, as soon as possible, in order to strengthen the non-proliferation regime,

1. Calls upon Israel, the only State of the region with advanced unsafeguarded nuclear capabilities, not to develop, produce, test or otherwise

acquire nuclear weapons, to renounce possession of nuclear weapons and to accede to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons; 1/

2. Calls upon all other States of the region that are not parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, notwithstanding that they have no existing substantial nuclear programmes, not to develop, produce, test or otherwise acquire nuclear weapons, to renounce possession of nuclear weapons and to accede to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons;

3. Calls upon all States of the region not to permit the stationing on their territory of nuclear weapons or nuclear explosive devices;

4. Calls upon all States of the region to place all their nuclear facilities under the full scope safeguards of the International Atomic Energy Agency as an important confidence-building measure among all States in the region and as a step towards enhancing peace and security;

5. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its fiftieth session on the implementation of the present resolution;

6. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its fiftieth session an item entitled "The threat of nuclear armament in the Middle East".

1/ United Nations, Treaty Series, vol. 729, No. 10485.